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C O N F I D E N T I A L LUSAKA 0936

E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: PFOR RH ZA UK
SUBJ: CHONA ON OWEN VISIT

1. IN THE COURSE OF A DISCUSSION ON A NUMBER OF OTHER SUBJECTS WITH PRESIDENTIAL ASST MARK CHONA, I MENTIONED THE IMPORTANCE WE ATTACH TO THE OWEN VISIT AND THE FULL SUPPORT WE ARE GIVING IT AND ASKED CHONA HOW HE VIEWS IT. HE SAID THAT THEY WOULD BE GLAD TO RECEIVE OWEN, HOPING HE WILL COME WITH A SPECIFIC PROPOSAL AND THAT THIS PROPOSAL WILL BE TO CONVENE A CONFERENCE TO WRITE A CONSTITUTION FOR AN INDEPENDENT ZIMBABWE. THERE IS NO POINT OF FURTHER EFFORTS TO FORM AN INTERIM GOVT, HE SAID. WE TRIED THAT AND IT FAILED. I ASKED WHETHER ANY THINKING HAD YET BEEN DONE ON THE SPECIFICS OF CONSTITUTIONAL QUESTIONS OR THE CONFERENCE IN TERMS OF REPRESENTATION AND LOCATION. HE REPLIED THAT HE VERY MUCH HOPED OWEN WOULD COME WITH SPECIFIC SUGGESTIONS COVERING THESE MATTERS AND HE ASKED IF I KNEW WHETHER THE CONFERENCE WOULD BE CONVENED BEFORE OR AFTER THE COMMONWEALTH FOREIGN MINISTERS CONFERENCE IN LONDON. I REPLIED I DID NOT KNOW THE DATES BEING CONSIDERED BUT THOUGHT THAT THE MATTER OF TIMETABLES WAS UNDER DISCUSSION.

2. COMMENT: LUSAKA WILL BE OWEN'S LAST STOP. THERE IS, THEREFORE, GROWING EXPECTATION HERE THAT HE WILL BE ABLE TO TALK IN
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SPECIFICS ABOUT THE NEXT STEPS IN THE NEGOTIATIONS.
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